### **PROJECT REVIEW SHEET - EZ1**

#### HISTORIC & CULTURAL RESOURCES REVIEW

Property / Client Name: Nisqually Knotweed Eradication 2011, 11-1533

Worksite Name/Number: Nisqually Basin (Worksite 1 of 1)

Funding Agency: Rec. and Conserv. Office

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## PLEASE DESCRIBE THE TYPE OF WORK TO BE COMPLETED

(Be as detailed as possible to avoid having to provide additional information)

### Provide a detailed description of the proposed project:

This project will continue work to inventory and eradicate Japanese Knotweed from the Nisqually River Basin. The project's plan is to complete surveys of Nisqually River and its tributaries, begin to eradicate all knotweed found in the basin beginning at the furthest upstream occurrence, to reestablish native riparian vegetation where necessary, and to educate residents in target communities about knotweed and other invasive vegetation. The sponsor plans to survey 75+ river miles (previously treated as well as new areas) of the mainstem of the Nisqually and its tributaries for knotweed. The sponsor estimates treating approximately 150 acres on 40+ landowner sites. The Nisqually River and its tributaries are important spawning and rearing reaches for Nisqually River Chinook, Coho, chum, and steelhead. The basin however is infested with non-native knotweed species, predominately Japanese knotweed. Japanese knotweed significantly degrades habitat for fish along the river. This project augments and supports regional recovery plans and the Lead Entity's strategy, by restoring and protecting riparian habitat in the most important salmon production are of the Nisqually River system. Surveys and treatments will take place in Pierce, Thurston, and Lewis Counties.

#### Describe existing project site conditions.

A variety of land uses occur within the watershed including timberlands, state parks and forests, agricultural lands, rural communities and lowland prairies. Previous to European colonization the watershed was managed by Nisqually Indians for wildlife, plant and fish forage. Post-European colonization a large portion of the wateshed was logged commercially, but much of the watershed has been naturally reforested with second growth timber and associated undergrowth. Salmon functions have been moderately well preserved in this watershed due to the relative lack of urbanization and active protection and management by the Nisqually Tribe and Nisqually River Council.

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Describe any proposed ground disturbing activities. That is, will a tool(s) be used to move earth (soil, rock, gra Surveys may involve hiking in areas devoid of trails. Herbicde application carries an inherent risk of colleral plant damage.

Will buildings be altered or demolished? If so please complete a DAHP Determination of Eligibility EZ2 form for each building affected by the proposed project and attach the form to your project in PRISM. http://www.dahp.wa.gov/pages/Documents/Sites.htm

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If no PRISM map, please attach a copy of the relevant portion of a 7.5 series USGS quad map and outline the project impact area. (USGS Quad maps are available on-line at <a href="http://www.topozone.com">http://www.topozone.com</a>)

# **Worksite Location (identified with star):**

Address: N/A

Township: 15N City:

Range: 05E County: Pierce Section: 27 Latitude: 46.76 Longitude: -122.17

